



YUKON RIVER NEWS RELEASE

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The department is announcing a fourth commercial salmon fishing period in Upper Yukon River Subdistricts 5-B and 5-C which include the villages of Tanana and Rampart, and the Yukon River Bridge Area. This will be a 24-hour commercial opening and will begin on Wednesday, July 16 at 6:00 p.m. and will close Thursday, July 17 at 6:00 p.m.

It is unlikely that a major buyer will participate, therefore: ALL FISHERS SHOULD MAKE SURE THEY HAVE A BUYER BEFORE COMMERCIAL FISHING FOR SALMON.

The subsistence schedule in Subdistricts 5-B and 5-C will remain unaltered by this announcement. In Subdistricts 5-B and 5-C subsistence fishing for salmon is open from 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 15 and closes at 6:00 p.m. Sunday, July 20. At that time, it is anticipated that the subsistence fishing schedule will return to the normal two 48-hour periods per week schedule.

Subsistence fishermen are reminded that a subsistence fishing permit is required for the Yukon River Bridge area from the mouth of Hess creek to the mouth of the Dall River. Fishermen in all other areas are encouraged to fill out their subsistence salmon calendars. Permits and salmon calendars are available from the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Fairbanks.

For additional information contact the Alaska Department of Fish and Game toll free number (outside the Fairbanks area) at 1-866-479-7387, or 459-7387 within the Fairbanks area. If you have any questions regarding this report call the Fairbanks office of Alaska Department of Fish and Game at 459-7274.

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